Committee Report

Transportation Committee



Committee Meeting Date: February 12, 2024

For the Metropolitan Council: February 28, 2024

Business Item: 2024-31

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Summary of Transportation Committee Discussion/Questions

This item was on the Consent list.

It was moved by Vento, seconded by Morales. Motion carried to approve all consent items.

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District(s), Member(s):	District 12 (Vento), District 13 (Lee), District 14 (Carter)
Policy/Legal Reference:	FM 15-1 Income/ Grants Policy
Staff Prepared/Presented:	Lesley Kandaras, General Manager, 612-349-7513
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	Alicia Vap, Gold Line Project Director, 612-349-7079
	Mike Ullmer, Agreements Specialist, 651-602-1957
Division/Department:	Metro Transit / METRO Gold Line Project Office

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Background

In 2020, the Council and the City of Woodbury (City) entered into a Master Funding Agreement #191034 to establish a framework for interagency funding transfers.

The Council and the City executed SFA #19I034G on June 2, 2022, to transfer up to \$1,249,683.96 from the City to the Council for construction of landscaping Local Work as part of the Gold Line's Civil and Landscaping Construction Contracts.

SFA #19I034G laid out a process to amend the SFA should the bids for these contracts come in higher than the engineers estimate; this amendment follows that process.

Once the lowest bidder had been determined for both the Civil and Landscaping Construction Contracts, the engineering team compiled the actual cost of the locally funded work for the City based on the bid tabs in the contracts, which was \$2,136,383.69. This information was shared with the City; they decided to proceed with the work at the actual cost. As a result, the Council needs to amend the SFA to reflect the cost. Amendment 1 will increase the contract total by \$886,699.73, for a total contract value of \$2,136,383.69.

Rationale

Council Policy requires that income and grants agreements exceeding \$500,000 be approved by the Council. Executing this Amendment #1 to SFA #19I034G allows the City to have this work

completed concurrent with the Gold Line which benefits the Council and the City by realizing cost savings and avoiding the need to coordinate different contractors working in the same area.

Thrive Lens Analysis

Investment in high-quality transportation options will advance the Thrive outcome of Prosperity by making the region more economically competitive through increased workers' access to employment, and support to employers by increasing available workforce with affordable, convenient transportation.

The Gold Line advances the Equity outcome by distributing transit resources throughout the region and improving access to jobs, educational opportunities, and health services to diverse communities.

Funding

No impacts to the Gold Line budget. All funding under this agreement will be provided by the City.

Small Business Inclusion

Local work constructed for the City under SFA #19I034G is incorporated into the Gold Line civil construction contract and therefore part of the prime contractor's DBE commitment. The Office of Equity and Equal Opportunity (OEEO) established a 17% DBE goal for the Gold Line civil construction contract. The awarded vendor committed to 17.11%. OEEO will continue to monitor this project and ensure that DBE requirements are met, inclusive of all amendments and change orders.